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1. There are indications that decisive changes are taking place in the Soviet administration and control of the I.G. Farben concern. The staff of the Soviet control officer, Lt. Col. Alekseev, has been reduced to five Russians; of these only two are specialists in their respective fields. The greater part of the German staff has been given Notice of dismissal as of 31 December 1948.
2. About the middle of November 1948, the Soviet control office of I.G. Farben sold the administration building at 188-190 Brunnenstrasse, Berlin N54, to Derutra (Deutsch-Russische Transport A.G.). The control office is also contemplating the sale or return to state control of additional I. G. property. While certain I.G. factories are still operating as Soviet AGs, others have already been turned over to the states.
3. Less important offices of I.G. or attached firms have recently been placed under the control of Dr. Strickstroh of the Treuhand-
4. It is alleged that the Soviet control office of I.G. has now scarcely any administrative duties to perform save those that are connected with the keeping of current accounts.